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In the application of:

Hideo SUZUKI et al.

Serial No.: 10/008,768

Filing Date: November 30, 2001

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METHOD

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Group Art Unit: 2837

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98, Applicants submit for consideration in the above-identified application the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. The documents were cited in the corresponding Japanese parent application. Copies of the documents are also submitted herewith. The Examiner is requested to make these documents of record.

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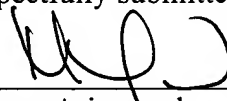
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